



PIEDMONT HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL PROFILE 2022-23

800 Magnolia Avenue • Piedmont, CA 94611 • CEEB School Code: 052-462

Piedmont High School (PHS) is a small public school in the San Francisco East Bay with a long-standing reputation for academic excellence. PHS consistently ranks among the top schools in California and the nation. In addition to academic rigor, PHS prioritizes independent thinking, problem solving, intellectual curiosity, integrity and leadership. PHS places a high value on students finding a balance between academics, extracurricular activities, and community service. We encourage PHS students to be leaders of change who think critically for themselves and for the benefit of all.

SCHOOL AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- ◇ PHS is recognized among the best high schools in the nation by the U.S. News & World Report.
- ◇ PHS is recognized among the Top STEM High Schools in the nation by Newsweek Magazine.

Senior Class Size (Class of 2023): 187 students

Student Body: 60% White, 12% Asian, 10% Hispanic/Latino, 1% African American, 17% Two or More Races

GRADING

PHS calculates grade point average on a weighted and unweighted 4.0 scale: A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0. AP and Honors courses carry an additional point. PHS does not report individual class rank.

Due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, PHS issued pass/no pass grades for the spring semester 2020. Students were required to earn 70% or more to pass each course.

Per CA Assembly Bill 104, students were able to change letter grades to pass/no pass for the 2020-21 school year.

Class of 2023 Unweighted GPA

6 semesters, 4.0 Grade Scale

GPA Range	% of Students
3.76 – 4.00	46%
3.51 – 3.75	24%
3.01 – 3.50	22%
2.51 – 3.00	6%
2.5 and Below	2%

Graduation Requirements

Maximum of 7 classes per semester Minimum of 225 credits to graduate	Credits
English: 4 years	40
Mathematics: 2 years	20
Social Science: 3 years	30
Science: 2 years	20
PE: 2 years (or 1 year PE plus 1 year JV/Varsity Sport)	20
World Language/Creative Arts: 1 year of each OR 1 year each of two different Creative Arts	20
Computer Studies: 1 semester	5
Social Psychology: 1 semester	5
Electives	65

Post-Graduation Plans – Class of 2022

Percent of Students Attending a 4-Year College	88%
Percent of Students Attending a 2-Year College	6%
Percent of Students Taking a Gap Year	2%
Other	4%

ADVANCED PLACEMENT & HONORS COURSES

AP 2-D Art & Design	AP Computer Principles
AP 3-D Art & Design	AP English Literature
AP Art History	AP Environmental Science
AP Biology	AP French Language
AP Calculus AB	AP Music Theory
AP Calculus BC	AP Spanish Language
AP Chinese Language	AP U.S. History
AP Computer Science A	

Chemistry Honors	Math Analysis Honors
Chinese IV Honors	Physics Honors
English 5-6 Honors	Spanish IV Honors
French IV Honors	Statistics Honors

STANDARDIZED TESTS

Due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the increasing number of colleges and universities with test-optional and test-blind admissions policies, Piedmont High School is not reporting SAT, SAT Subject or ACT scores for 2020 and after.

SAT Mean Scores

	2019	2018	2017
Evidence-Based Reading & Writing	661	658	658
Mathematics	667	653	646

ACT Mean Scores

	2019	2018	2017
Composite	30.3	29.4	28.9

AP Exam Scores

	2022	2021	2020
Total AP Students	371	402	396
Number of Exams	748	774	780
AP Students with Scores 3+	309	324	367
% of Total AP Students with Scores 3+	83.29%	80.6%	92.68%

National Merit Class of 2023:

One (1) Semifinalist, Eight (8) Commended Students

ATHLETICS

More than 75% of PHS students participate in JV and Varsity sports. Our sports teams include: Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track & Field, Volleyball, Water Polo.

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

More than 65% of PHS students participate in the visual and performing arts. Our visual and performing arts program includes: A Cappella, Acting, Art, Ceramics, Dance, Jazz Band, Musical, Orchestra, and Symphonic Band.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND STUDENT LEADERSHIP

PHS students participate in over 40 student clubs and organizations including:

Affinity Mentorship	Gender Sexuality Alliance
Art Jam Club	Jewish Student Union
Asian Student Union	Mock Trial
Associated Student Body	Peer Tutoring
Black Student Union	Piedmont Athletic Council
Diversity Club	Speech & Debate

COLLEGE MATRICULATION 2022

American University	Gettysburg College	San Jose State University	University of Hawaii at Hilo
Amherst College	Gonzaga University	Santa Clara University	University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Bentley University	Harvard University	Seattle University	University of Nevada-Reno
Berkeley City College	Harvey Mudd College	Smith College	University of Oregon
Boston University	Howard University	Southern Methodist University	University of Pennsylvania
Brandeis University	Keio University - Fujisawa Campus	Southern Oregon University	University of Richmond
Brown University	Lehigh University	St. Lawrence University	University of South Carolina-Columbia
Bryn Mawr College	Loyola Marymount University	Stanford University	University of Southern California
Bucknell University	Marist College	Texas A & M University-College Station	University of the Pacific
Cabrillo College	McGill University	The American University of Paris	University of Utah
California College of the Arts	Michigan State University	The University of Tennessee-Knoxville	University of Vermont
California Polytechnic State University-Humboldt	Michigan Technological University	Trinity College Dublin	University of Washington-Seattle Campus
California Polytechnic State University-Pomona	Mount Holyoke College	Tufts University	University of Wisconsin-Madison
California State Polytechnic University-San Luis Obispo	New York University	Tulane University of Louisiana	UNSW Sydney
California State University-Chico	Northeastern University	University of Arizona	Vassar College
Carnegie Mellon University	Oberlin College	University of British Columbia	Washington University in St Louis
Chabot College	Occidental College	University of California-Berkeley	Wellesley College
Chapman University	Ohio State University-Main Campus	University of California-Davis	Wesleyan University
Clemson University	Oregon State University	University of California-Irvine	Western University
Colorado College	Pitzer College	University of California-Los Angeles	Western Washington University
Colorado School of Mines	Pomona College	University of California-Merced	Westmont College
Connecticut College	Portland State University	University of California-San Diego	Willamette University
Dartmouth College	Reed College	University of California-Santa Barbara	Williams College
Delgado Community College	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	University of California-Santa Cruz	Woodbury University
Diablo Valley College	Saint Mary's College of California	University of Chicago	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Drexel University	San Diego State University	University of Colorado Boulder	Yale University
FIDM-Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising-Los Angeles	San Francisco State University	University of Denver	

OUTSTANDING PROGRAMS

Wellness Center: Provides prevention, early-intervention, and mental health education resources for students and families.

Social Justice and Racial Equity: Students engage in schoolwide discussions on social justice and racial equity. Student-led programs include the "Let's Talk, Too" and "I am Here" assemblies.

Academy & SEL: The PHS bell schedule includes an Academy time intended to provide all students with an opportunity to receive academic support and social emotional learning.

Computer Science: Our Computer Science pathway includes Physical Computing & Robotics, AP Computer Science Principles, AP Computer Science A, and Web Design & Development.

The Piedmont Highlander: Student newspaper recognized as a Gold Medal publication and named Crown finalist by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

The Pride Yearbook: Received a First-Class Rating from The National Scholastic Press Association and a Silver Medal from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

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